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**STATEMENT FILED PURSUANT TO**  
**THE DUTY OF DISCLOSURE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97 AND 1.98**

Sir:

Pursuant to the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, the  
Applicant requests consideration of this Information Disclosure Statement.

**PART I: Compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97**

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No fee or certification is required.

### **PART II: Additional Information**

The Applicant hereby makes the following additional information of record in the above-identified application.

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### **PART III: Remarks**

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information listed on the attached form PTO/SB/08A. The order of presentation of the references should not be construed as an indication of the importance of the references.

Documents cited on the attached form PTO/SB/08A are enclosed unless otherwise indicated. It is respectfully requested that:

1. The Examiner consider completely the cited information, along with any other information, in reaching a determination concerning the patentability of the present claims;
2. The enclosed form PTO/SB/08A be signed by the Examiner to evidence that the cited information has been fully considered by the Patent and Trademark Office during the examination of this application;
3. The citations for the information be printed on any patent which issues from this application.

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Notwithstanding any statement by the Applicant, the Applicant urges the Examiner to form his own conclusion regarding the relevance of the cited information.  
An early and favorable action is hereby requested.

Respectfully submitted,  
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